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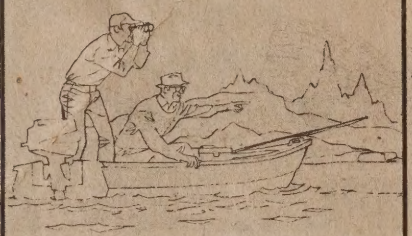

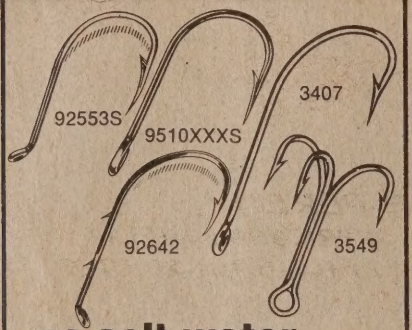

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IN MEMORY OF KARL OLOFSON

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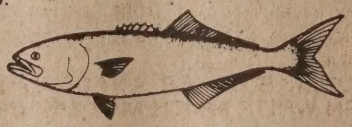
Contests & Tournaments

SANTO'S MYSTERY WEIGHT CONTEST RESULTS

The final results of Santo's Sport Shop Mystery Weight Bluefish Contest are as follows:

For June Frank Anastacio won for a bluefish of 13 pounds 9 ounces; July's winner was Scott Burns for a blue of 7 pounds 4 ounces; August's winner was George Gross for a bluefish of 9 pounds 4 ounces; Sept. winner was John Foti for a blue of 10 pounds 11 ounces and Oct. winner was Steve Weber for a blue of 7 pounds 12 ounces. Each winner receives $25.



TOWN OF GROTON BLUEFISH AND STRIPER DERBY FOR W/E 10/31

Sunday, October 31st marked the end of the First Annual Connecticut Bluefish and Striped Bass Derby sponsored by the Town of Groton.

The youngest angler, eleven year old Ronald Rudker Jr. took the top honors in the striped bass division with his 53 pound 4 ounce striper; and Mark Mitsko came in the grand prize winner in the bluefish division with an 18 lb. 15 ounce chopper. Each of the grand prize winners will receive a 23 channel CB radio telephone given by Spicer's Marinas and New London Marine.

In addition to the grand prizes, there were six winners who will receive the second monthly set of prizes to be awarded. In the private boat category, there is a tie for first place for the biggest striper to be caught during the month of October. Charles Zander of Mystic and Gary Morten of New London each caught a 44½ lb. bass. Duplicate prizes of electric grass shears, contributed by Diamond Lumber Co. will be awarded. Mark Mitsko, the grand prize winner, also wins the monthly award for his fish, dinner for two at the Whale's Tail Restaurant, Holiday Inn.

In the charter boat division, Bradfort Hoyt of Windsor wins a gift certificate from Ken's Tackle for his 17 pound 12 ounce bluefish. Keith Burgin, also of Windsor will receive a gift certificate from Frances Electronics for his 31 pound striped bass.

In the party boat division, Charles R. Williams, HM-1, attached to the SSN Cavalla, won a NAPA socket wrench set for his 18 pound bluefish. In the same division Vernon Van Demark of Accord, NY wins a gift certificate from Ken's Tackle for a 21 pound striper.

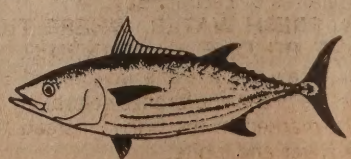
There were also two weekly winners for the final week of the Derby. Pedro Burgos of Springfield, Mass. caught a 16 pound blue aboard the party boat; and Paul Baldi of E. Hartford, took the final week's honors in the charter boat division with a 13½ pound bluefish.

To bring the Derby to an official close, a brief award ceremony will be held with date and time to be announced.

ATLANTIC BEACH ROD & GUN CLUB

The Atlantic Beach Rod and Gun Club held their Fall Striper Contest on October 23rd and 24th which was won by Arthur Newman for a 42 lb. ¾ oz. striper. He also caught the 2nd heaviest, weighing 31 pounds. Jerry Trussel was 3rd with one of 28¼ pounds.

In the junior division of the Childrens Day contest held last month, Mike Morea won the bluefish division with a 12 lb. 6½ oz. fish and Clifford Follenius won both the fluke and bonita division with 1¼ lb. fluke and 5 lb. 1 oz. bonita. Rita Amoroso lead the Seniors in bluefish with 9 pound 7 oz. fish. No entries in Sr. Division for fluke or bonita division.



Fish Talk
with Dr. W.A. Muller

WHITE PERCH
Morone Americana

BOILED DOWN TO ITS SIMPLEST COMMON DEMOMINATOR, the debate continues: Did stripers evolve from white perch and white bass or did the latter two species evolve from the striped bass? If you have been in touch with the debate you know that the scientific name for stripers has shifted periodically from *Roccus saxatilis* to *Morone saxatilis*.

AT THE PRESENT TIME we are told to call stripers by *MORONE saxatilis*, but among bass fans the name Roccus persists.

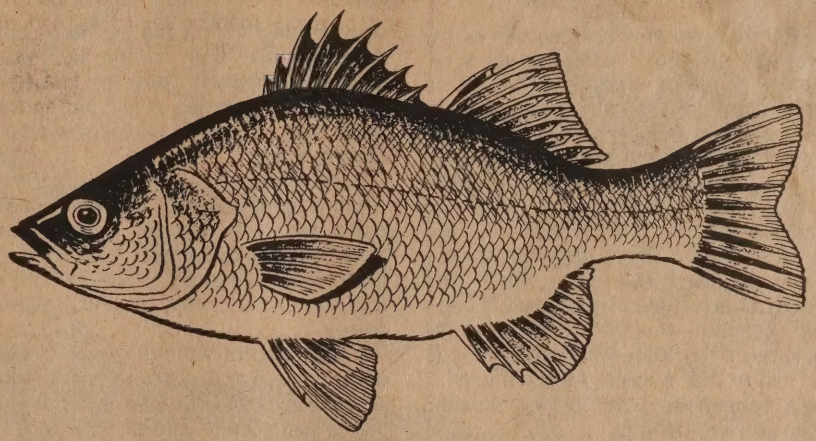
IT'S A CURIOUS TALE but each fish is likeable enough on its own, to warrant considerable interest. In many respects the white perch is a neglected species. It simply lacks the glamour and excitement of many species. Yet, it's found from Rhode Island to North Carolina, occurs in large numbers, readily takes a variety of natural baits, and hits a broad spectrum of artificials from spoons to plugs to flies.

WHITE PERCH belongs to a large group of fish known as sea basses: scientifically referred to as *Serranidae*. White perch resemble stripers, especially as juveniles. The young perch even have faint stripes but these disappear quickly. At this age they can be distinguished by counting the number of dorsal fin rays (bones). The first portion of the dorsal fin contains nine (9) spiny rays and the second portion has twelve (12) soft rays. In addition, there is no free space between the anterior (front) and posterior (rear) portions of the dorsal fin. Of course, stripers display a prominant separation of the dorsal components.

IN SALT WATER, THEIR NATURAL HOME, the body color grades from olive green near the dorsal fin to yellow or white near the pelvic fins. At times the fish may have a bronze tint and at other times they may appear silvery or black.

MOST WHITE PERCH THAT ARE CAUGHT ON ROD AND REEL WEIGH ABOUT ONE POUND AND RANGE IN SIZE FROM SIX TO TEN INCHES. However, specimens have been recorded that weigh over four pounds and I have taken any number of fish that weigh more than three pounds from the tributaries of Peconic Bay.

IN FRESH WATER, WHERE THEY HAVE BECOME LANDLOCKED, the fish rarely exceed one pound and they lose the green and bronze coloration that is so marked in the briny. Instead they are silver and white.



WHITE PERCH
MORONE AMERICANA (GMELIN)
FROM ADULT MALE 6 9/16 IN. LONG

FRED GUARDINEER, STAFF ARTIST

WHEN WHITE PERCH BECOME LANDLOCKED each succeeding generation becomes progressively smaller until the adults average four to six inches.

WHITE PERCH BECOME LANDLOCKED IN PART BECAUSE THEY ARE ANADROMOUS. That is, they return to fresh water rivers to spawn. Any river will do from the majestic Hudson to a trickle like the Peconic and Calverton tributaries.

UNLIKE OTHER ANADROMOUS FISH WHITE PERCH MAY LINGER in freshwater longer and are known to work their way towards the head of the river. Here, shifts in the meandering river may create Oxbow Lakes or heavy rains may permit the perch to travel into the lakes at the head of the stream or river.

PERCH LAY THEIR EGGS NEAR THE BOTTOM WHERE THEY STICK to bottom growth. When the eggs hatch, the juveniles or fry swim into shallow water where they may mingle with schools of striped bass and feed on similar foods.

IN SALT WATER, PERCH WILL EAT ALMOST ANYTHING. Shrimp, amphipods, worms, small crabs, larvae, killies and spearing are all part of the diet.

THE GREATEST CONCENTRATIONS OF WHITE PERCH OCCUR FROM LONG ISLAND TO CHESAPEAK BAY. In Chesapeake Bay there is an active commercial and sport fishery for them. They are usually taken on the shallow flats but have been known to be caught in water as deep as twenty fathoms.

COMPARED TO STRIPED BASS WHITE PERCH GROW SLOWLY. They will grow to about six (6) inches in five years and their life span is about exhausted in ten years. Larger specimens are not necessarily older but have had the benefit of warm winters and abundant food during the growing season.

ON LIGHT TACKLE THESE FISH ARE A LOT OF FUN AND DURING A SUBSEQUENT episode of this column we'll look at the ways and times to catch them. Incidentally, they taste absolutely fantastic.

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Sinker Bouncing WHITING

with Matt Ahern

Whiting have always been one of my favorite fish, and I remember as a kid spending many sleepless nights in anticipation of the next days fishing. They, along with ling, were the one fish that I knew I'd be sure to catch.

From late fall to late spring, thousands of party boat fishermen get in on the excellent whiting fishing available during this time. These fishermen have discovered, as I did, that whiting are willing biters. Seldom do these fishermen concern themselves as to the outcome. They know they are going to put fish in that bucket. As for myself, I can't remember ever being skunked when whiting fishing.

Tackle requirements are simple. A medium weight boat rod plus a matching conventional reel will do the trick. Use the best equipment you can afford and shun the so-called "Hong Kong Specials." This cheaply manufactured tackle simply will not stand the gaff of rugged party boat fishing. Don't be penny wise and pound foolish.

Fill the reel with good quality twenty pound test monofialent line. Using this weight line will allow you to use sinkers that are not too heavy. The whiting isn't the best fighter in the fish-world, therefore anything you do to allow him to do his stuff, will give you more fun.

You'll have no trouble rigging for whiting. Some fishermen use three or four hooks, and it's nothing unusual to see a rig come up with a fish on each hook. Personally, I think two hooks are enough—especially if you're fishing close quarters. Tangles are common, they can't be helped. To my way of thinking, the time lost in freeing tangles nullifies the effect of the extra hooks. You'll often see the angler with two hooks isn't too far behind the multiple hook fisherman when the day is over. With a lot less aggravation, too.

Hook sizes aren't critical and any type hook from 3/0 to 4/0 will prove to be satisfactory. My preference is the regular-shanked Sproat, but because the whiting has a large mouth armed with needle sharp teeth, many fishermen use a long-shanked hook in the above sizes. The choice is yours. If you decide to use the long-shanked hook, you'll find the Carlisle or Kirby styles will do a good job.

To rig up, tie one hook in a snell's length above the sinker, and the other about two feet above. You'll find most of your whiting will hit the top hook, but if there are any ling around (and there usually is) they will seize the lower one, nine out of ten times. It will pay to think about this, because the pool-winner is usually a ling.

Some fishermen use three-way swivels when rigging up, but I seldom bother. I make two-inch dropper loops formed with double-overhand knots at the prescribed distances. These won't cut into the line if pulled up and tightened slowly.

Sinker weight will vary, due to water depth, strength of current, rate of drift, line test, etc. so I can't tell you the exact size to use. You should be able to get by with a sinker between six and ten ounces, with eight ounces a happy medium. The bank style is best to use.

Bait is never a problem when whiting fishing. Most party boats supply skimmer clam for their passengers. Some supply strips of whiting from the previous days catch. The veteran whiting fisherman uses fresh bait whenever possible and in order to do this, he fillets or slices each side of his first fish into three or four inch strips. Once this is done, he has an endless supply of fresh bait, for nothing catches whiting as well as another piece of whiting.

When the bait is cut, there is no further preparation. Leave skin and scales on, run the hook through twice and allow about an inch or so to trail in the current. The fluttering action of the bait, coupled with a bit of jigging will draw whiting to the hook. Don't hesitate to change the bait when it becomes ragged. You'll catch more fish if you do.

On board a party boat, finding the fish, of course, is left to the captain and crew—and find them they will. But if you're aboard your own boat, it's up to you. But this isn't difficult.

Most party boats fishing the New York Bight will be found putting a dent in the whiting population around Ambrose Tower and the BA buoy area. At times the old Scotland Light grounds will produce big fish. For some reason I've never been able to figure out, though, fishing here is often a hit-or-miss proposition. Yet, some of the largest whiting I've ever caught came from this area. If you should be in the vicinity, it might pay to give it a try.

For the fisherman unable to fish the New York Bight, the best bet is to obtain a chart for the area in which fishing is being planned. Look for areas marked mud or gravel, in at least sixty feet of water, nothing less, especially when fishing in late spring. Areas marked wrecks, rock and other littered bottom produce few whiting.

Whiting fishing is done in two ways: at anchor, or by drifting. Of the two, I believe drifting will produce the most fish. But this depends much on daily conditions. There are days when it is impossible to drift; days when the drift will be too fast and days when the boat doesn't drift fast enough. Fortunately, these conditions do not happen often.

When drifting, you will find the fish seem to hit in spurts. Fishing will be hot and heavy, and then suddenly die out to a slow pick, only to begin hitting again a little farther along the line of drift. This is often usual and as long as there isn't too long an interval of time between the action, fishing will pick up again as soon as another school is encountered. If this doesn't happen in a reasonable amount of time, it means you've drifted completely out of the area and you should start another drift.

Anchoring often produces more ling then whiting, but this is not a hard, fast rule, but is usually so. This is when the fisherman interest in more whiting then ling can often help himself by removing the terminal tackle and tying on a four to six ounce diamond jig—weight depending on stretch of current.

The jig is best worked by allowing it to hit bottom, then reeling in enough line so that it is suspended about two to three feet off bottom. Action is imparted by jigging with one foot lifts of the rod. If there are whiting in the area, this will bring them fast. The results might surprise you. The largest whiting I ever saw was taken this way.

Some fishermen chum with crushed skimmer when at anchor, but I've never found it necessary to do so. Using chum might bring you ling, but I've never noticed much improvement in the whiting fishing. Stick to the diamond jig when things slow down and put fish in your bucket.

I know a few sinker bouncers who enjoy whiting fishing so much, they're not very interested in the excellent mackerel fishing often available in spring. So, if you've never gone whiting fishing, maybe you ought to give it a try.

I don't think you'll be sorry.

THE FISHERMAN "IQ" TEST

(1) HOW LONG DO EELS LIVE IN FRESH WATER BEFORE THEY RETURN TO SALTWATER TO SPAWN AND DIE ?

ANSWERS AT BOTTOM OF PAGE.

(2) WHY DO SEAGULLS ALWAYS FACE INTO THE WIND ?

(3) THE BROOK TROUT IS THE SYMBOLIC FISH OF WHICH STATE ? NEW YORK ☐
PENNSYLVANIA ☐
MICHIGAN ☐

(4) AFTER 200 YEARS THE U.S. NOW LISTS ITS NATIONAL EMBLEM, THE BALD EAGLE, AS AN ENDANGERED SPECIES. HOW LONG DO EAGLES LIVE ?
25 YEARS ☐
35 YEARS ☐
45 YEARS ☐

(5) FISHERMEN CAN BECOME INFECTED FROM PARASITES FOUND ON COD-FISH ?
TRUE ☐ FALSE ☐

(6) WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN NYLON AND DACRON ROPE ?

(7) WHAT IS THE RANGE OF THE BLUECLAW CRAB ?

BY FRED GUARDINEER

1 – FEMALES STAY IN FRESHWATER FOR 12 YEARS, MALES GET THE URGE WHEN FOUR TO EIGHT YEARS OLD. 2 – SEAGULLS FACE INTO THE WIND SO THEY CAN GET THE SCENT OF A POSSIBLE FISH DINNER. 3 – ALL THREE STATES. 4 – 35 YEARS. 5 – FALSE. ALL KNOWN PARASITES IN NORTH AMERICAN FISH ARE KILLED BY COOKING, PICKLING OR FREEZING. 6 – NYLON STRETCHES 40%, DACRON 18%. 7 – BLUE CLAWS RANGE FROM CAPE COD TO FLORIDA AND ALONG THE ENTIRE U.S. GULF COAST.

A Sextant is Not a Deviation

by Scott J. Simons

with special thanks to Jens Jacobs

This will be the last installment of this series on navigational aids that also can be tremendous aids to successful fishing. In parts One and Two, we learned about the ability of the small boat angler to plot the exact positions of bottom formations that he has discovered while fishing, or while sitting at home with a chart, by using a navigational instrument known as a sextant. In Pt. Three we discussed the importance of having an accurately adjusted compass, the most important piece of equipment on a boat..ANY boat. This week we are going to wind things up with a piece about the most practical navigation tool to come along since the marine sextant: the Astro-Navigation Calculator.

How can the Astro-Navigation Calculator help you as a fisherman? Well, if you do most of your fishing in the south shore bays or harbors of the north shore, the calculator would be an unnecessary expense because it wouldn't be much of a help. But if you ever leave an inlet for either inshore or offshore fishing, the calculator can be an absolute blessing. And the beautiful part of it all is that all its functions can be performed on a small boat, where space is at a premium, without the use of a nautical chart, parallel rule, 3-armed protractor, dividers, slide rule, conversion tables or other paraphenalia usually associated with navigating.

The principle of the Astro-Navigation Calculator is simple. It is the same in appearance as the normal pocket calculators that are so often used by accountants, salesmen, tax consultants and tackle shops, with no significant difference: instead of basing its computations on the standard decimal system and its units of ten, the Astro-Navigation Calculator uses the mathematics of navigating the waters of the open seas: degrees, minutes and tenths of minutes, which are used to plot a vessel's or position's longitude and latitude. This unusual mathematics is quite simple, but its strangeness is usually enough to "turn off" the average person in itself. And this is where the Astro-Navigation Calculator comes in: not only does it perform all the mathematics for the boatman, but it has nine permanently built-in Navigation Programs that all but eliminate the thinking process. Just use the right program, and the calculator does all the work for you!

We are only going to discuss one of the many functions of this remarkable calculator, the one I feel is most valuable from the fisherman's point of view. By starting from a known position, any course and distance may be travelled and the calculator will tell you what your

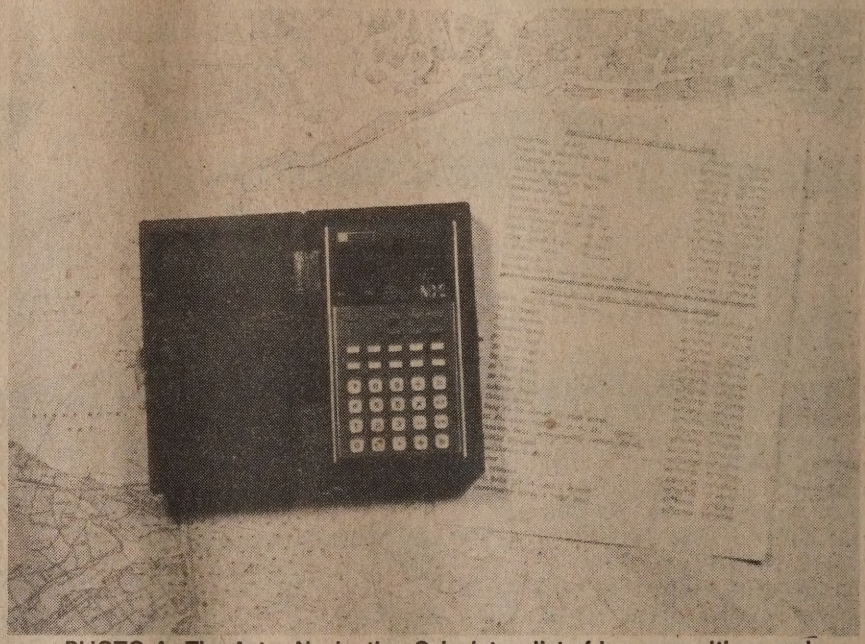

PHOTO A: The Astro-Navigation Calculator, list of known positions and nautical chart for the New York Bight area.

PHOTO B: The Astro-Navigation Calculator, which can perform in a very simple way any computations necessary for deep sea navigation and piloting also has practical applications for the fisherman.

NEW position then is. Let's see how this works, with a practical example. Keep in mind that Jens Jacobs taught me how to do the following with the calculator in less than ten minutes of instruction, so don't think that we are talking about any complicated process...it's really very simple!

Let's suppose that you berth your boat in the Freeport area and do the bulk of your fishing outside of Jones Inlet. The known positions for Jones Inlet is 40° 33' 2N (latitude) and 73° 35' 2W (longitude). This information is logged into the calculator. Looking for bluefish, you leave Jones Inlet on a course of 210° and travel aproximately 15 miles. This info is written down. No bluefish in that area, so you run a new course of 195° for a distance of 6 miles and write this information down. Still no bluefish, so you run another course of 135° for a distance of 14.5 miles and write down this information. As luck would have it, you find that you have parked your boat in the middle of a school of bluefish in the 15 to 20 lb. class that stretches from horizon to horizon! (Remember, this is all hypothetical). After a few hours of bailing fish, your arms become numb and you decide to call it a day. Now you have a problem: there's a slight haze and you can't see land, and after all that running around the ocean, you're not all that confident of where the hell you are. NOW what do you do?

Simple. Just take out your Astro-Navigation Calculator and enter all the information you had written down for each move. Then push a few buttons and the calculator informs you that in order to return to your original position at Jones Inlet, run a course of 352° for a distance of 29.4 miles. That's it! These calculations took less than one-minute to perform on the calculator after only ten minutes of instructions by Jens.

Naturally, the calculator can only be as accurate as the information that is fed into it, so it is extremely important to write down the true course and distance whenever a move is made to the best of your ability. If you stop to fish for a period of time, the distance and direction of the boat has drifted and should also be written down.

The beautiful aspect of the Astro-Navigation Calculator on a small boat is that it can be used to establish a dead-reckoning position without having to lay out a chart and plot a position manually, which can be cumbersome on a small boat. Even anglers that do their worm-drowning from a 42 foot Hatteras will find that the calculator will save time and headaches.

The calculator also serves a second purpose for the offshore fisherman: it's ability to give you the course and distance from any known starting point

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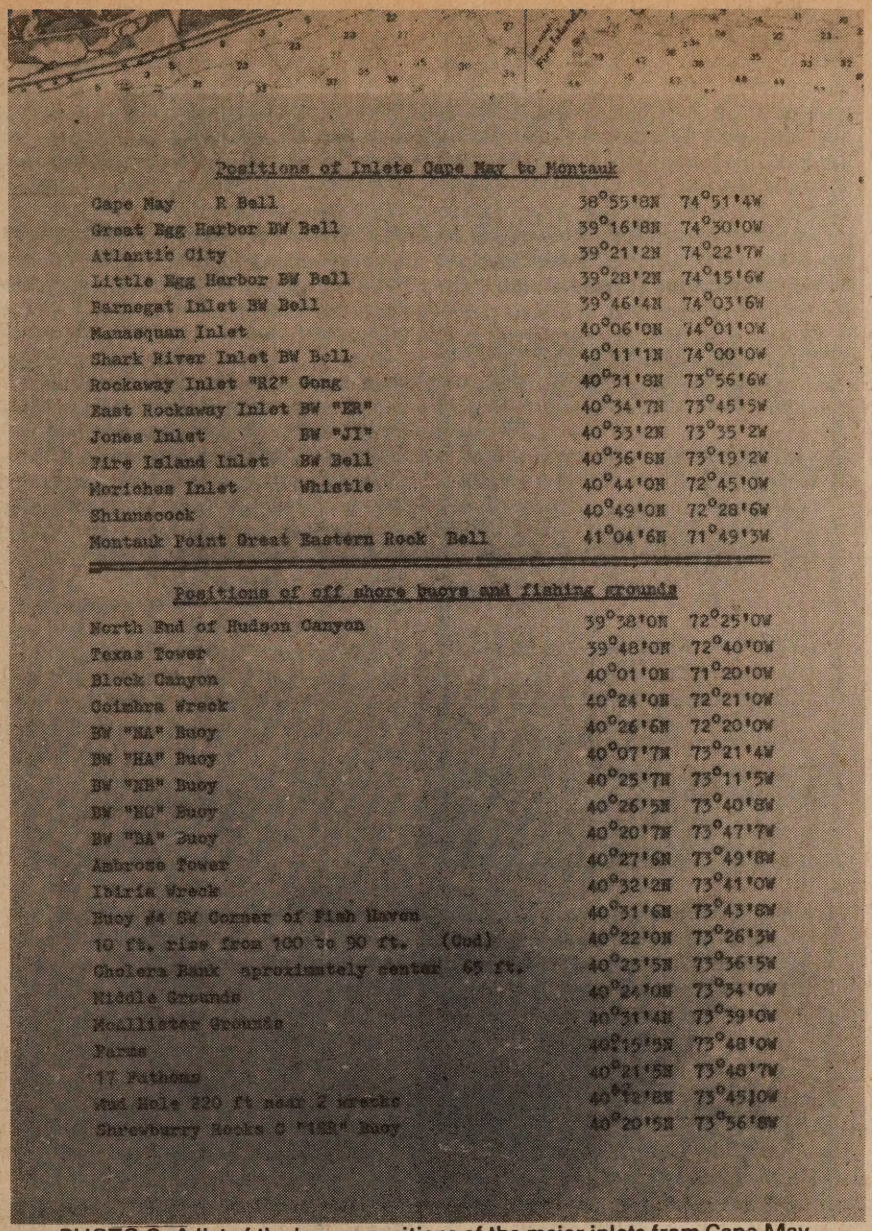

Positions of Inlets Cape May to Montauk

Cape May R Bell	38°55'8N	74°51'4W
Great Egg Harbor BW Bell	39°16'8N	74°30'0W
Atlantic City	39°21'2N	74°22'7W
Little Egg Harbor BW Bell	39°28'2N	74°15'6W
Barnegat Inlet BW Bell	39°46'4N	74°03'6W
Manasquan Inlet	40°06'0N	74°01'0W
Shark River Inlet BW Bell	40°11'1N	74°00'0W
Rockaway Inlet "R2" Gong	40°31'8N	73°56'6W
East Rockaway Inlet BW "ER"	40°34'7N	73°45'5W
Jones Inlet BW "JI"	40°33'2N	73°35'2W
Fire Island Inlet BW Bell	40°36'8N	73°19'2W
Moriches Inlet Whistle	40°44'0N	72°45'0W
Shinnecock	40°49'0N	72°28'6W
Montauk Point Great Eastern Rock Bell	41°04'6N	71°49'5W

Positions of off shore buoys and fishing grounds

North End of Hudson Canyon	39°38'0N	72°25'0W
Texas Tower	39°48'0N	72°40'0W
Block Canyon	40°01'0N	71°20'0W
Coimbra Wreck	40°24'0N	72°21'0W
BW "HA" Buoy	40°26'6N	72°20'0W
BW "HA" Buoy	40°07'7N	73°21'4W
BW "MB" Buoy	40°25'7N	73°11'5W
BW "EC" Buoy	40°26'5N	73°40'8W
BW "DA" Buoy	40°20'7N	73°47'7W
Ambrose Tower	40°27'6N	73°49'8W
Ibiria Wreck	40°32'2N	73°41'0W
Buoy #4 SW Corner of Fish Haven	40°31'6N	73°43'8W
10 ft. rise from 100 to 90 ft. (Cod)	40°22'0N	73°26'5W
Cholera Bank aproximately center 65 ft.	40°23'5N	73°36'5W
Middle Grounds	40°24'0N	73°34'0W
Mcallister Grounds	40°31'4N	73°39'0W
Farns	40°15'5N	73°48'0W
17 Fathoms	40°21'5N	73°48'7W
2nd Hole 220 ft near 2 wrecks	40°12'8N	73°45'0W
Shrewsberry Rocks C "SR" Buoy	40°20'5N	73°56'8W

PHOTO C: A list of the known positions of the major inlets from Cape May to Montauk and the known positions of many offshore buoys and fishing grounds.

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to any known position. Photo C is a list of the known positions of many good fishing locations that boats fishing the waters from Cape May to Montauk often frequent that Jens Jacobs made up for use with the calculator. Popular fishing grounds and locations such as the Cholera Banks, 17 Fathoms, Iberia Wreck, Mud Hole, Block and Hudson Canyons, etc. The known positions of all the inlets from Cape May to Montauk are also given for known starting points. By using the calculator, it is possible to find the course and distance from any of these 34 known positions to another.

Although the dead-reckoning positions of the calculator are not nearly as precise as the EXACT positioning possible with a sextant, the calculator does have one major advantage over the sextant in this respect: the calculator can compute your location without the necessity of being within sight of land. Whenever you locate a bottom formation that produces good fishing, write down the longitude and latitude from the computer and you can return to the location at any future date. Notice the entry on Jens list "10 ft. rise from 100 to 90 ft. (Cod." This bottom formation could have been found last year, and can be relocated this codfishing season with the calculator. Once you have a pocket calculator of your own, you can make up your own list of known positions by taking the information directly off a chart. For example, someone who does a lot of fishing out of Montauk would want to have a list of the known positions for the: Montauk Inlet, Inner and Outer Shagwong Buoys, Great Eastern Buoy, Can #3, Can #5, the Lighthouse, Midway Buoy, Submarine Buoy, Southwest Ledge, Southeast Light of Block Island, Shark's Ledge, Coxes Ledge, the Dumping Grounds, MP Buoy, Butterfish Hole, 40 Fathoms, and infinitum.

These are only a few of the functions of the Astro-Navigation Calculator. It can also perform in a very, very easy way many other computions necessary for deep sea navigation and piloting like computing a line of position from celestial observation of the sun, moon, stars and planets; Mid-Latitude Sailing; Great Circle Sailing; Most Probable Position; Time to Arc Conversions; Time and Arc Calculations, etc. The calculator has 9 permanently built-in navigation programs, 6 scientific functions and 4 mathematic calculations and a convenient memory system. Expensive, yes.... the Astro-Navigation Calculator lists for $198, but the expense is only relative to your needs.

In conclusion of this series, I would like to make a quick review of what was covered in the last four articles "Sextant is not a deviation."

As for the two articles on the Sextant in issue 41 and 42, the basic procedures were covered, but there are many other possibilities in which to use this marvelous little instrument. Quite frankly, with all the gadgetry available, this little instrument really impresses me due to it's superb accuracy and simplicity of operation.

As far as the compass is concerned, I only scratched the surface with the recollection of my experience in issue 43, but what I really learned with the installation of the compass aboard the Fisherman Grady-White, was that the difference between failure and success begins with the selection of the proper instrument, it's placement and accurate adjustment. Absolutely NOT the job for an amateur.

Just think about it for a moment...the compass is the most often looked at navigation instrument aboard, and forms the backbone of the entire navigational system, regardless of ALL other instruments at your disposal. So, for the sake of your own safety, economy and fuller fishboxes, DON'T fool around when it comes to compasses. Talk to the man that really KNOWS.

The Calculator? As neat as this little device is, it is not a necessity. What it is, is an instrument that makes the task of navigation quick and easy, in many cases without the need for a chart.

In short, it can solve any conceivable navigational problem with unbelievable speed and ease, and if you want to pursue the subject of navigation further, and use it, this calculator is a real winner.

As a final thought to end this series, I'd like to thank Jens Jacobs of Nautical Services for all his help in supplying me with the necessary knowledge and information to write this series, and his willingness to share it with the readers of The Fisherman.

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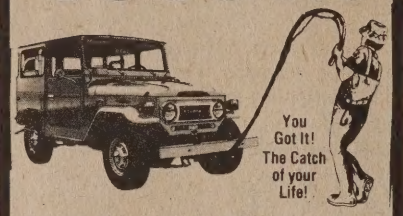

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Surf Side with Vito Orlando

DON'T STOW THAT GEAR

It was an hour before midnight on the Sunday ending the long Thanksgiving weekend of last year. Upon entering the house, after a long drive down from upstate, I immediately became aware that it was colder inside than it was outside. Damn, that furnace was out again.

Just about then the phone started it's incessant ringing. A disgruntled hello was answered by, "You've got to be kidding, we murdered the fish at Montauk while you were gone. We were going back tommorrow. Are you in?"

That was all I needed, with me not being able to get away for at least four days.

A fish call in December when almost everyone's gear is packed away and forgotten until spring. If you remember that Thanksgiving weekend, it wasn't just a matter of one or two fish caught by some die-hard surfman. It was my understanding that there were a lot of fish with crowds resembling those in early October. But then again the weather was unseasonably mild.

That year there were four of us Club members fighting for second place in the most points surf category, with about ten points separating us. Vito was over a hundred points ahead and therefore out of reach with first place locked up. We were desperately trying for that one last point fish.

On subsequent nights they landed a few small fish with Steve dropping a big bass when the hook pulled out of his home-made darter. On Thursday I managed the only fish, a 14 pounder, while enduring the punishment of a cold snap. We would fish as long as we could and then jump back into Jerry's "hotel" on wheels to warm up our hands before trying again. North Bar was tough with the north wind blowing a fine spray turning your fingers numb.

After a few more trips to the Point which produced nothing, I cut the tape on the big sticks.

The stories didn't stop there though.

On New Year's weekend the haul-seiners slaughtered the bass on the south side.

Surfers off Amagansett were suddenly surrounded by bluefish busting all over the surface.

You've probably heard a few yourself but maybe dismissed them as a figment of someone's imagination. Some stories I take with a grain of salt myself, the others from, as they say in the newscolumns, reliable sources can't be dismissed. One thing is certain, the end of November is not the end of surf-fishing for striped bass and possibly even bluefish.

The choice has to be made whether it is worth the effort and discomfort for the chance of a few more fish before the last schools of gamefish are gone for the season. Then again maybe the bass never really leave but just move into the deeper holes and wait for a few nice days to feed again.

During the winter months it seems we are under the influence of more northerly winds than the rest of the year. While this is a good wind when fishing such places as Northport or the North Side of Montauk, in that it will push the fish closer to the beach, the wind chill factor can make fishing unbearable. With a very strong wind in your face you'll find casting the normal night-time plugs such as the darters and bottle plugs become impossible. The use of painted tins has proved advantageous when some distance is needed in your cast after sundown.

It is a good idea to have some prepared in advance, not like two friends of mine one night last December at North Bar with their spray cans.

First buy some spray cans of enamel, a white and a yellow will suffice. Now dig out those old tins in the bottom of the box with the finish pitted and peeling. Give them a few swipes with emery cloth and spray. White is the prime color with maybe a few painted yellow just in case. These are for night fishing as your normal chrome finish tins can be used in the daylight.

One other thought on the use of metal squids is that the action can usually be improved by bending. The more simple method is to make a single upward bend in the mid-section of the squid. Another idea is to make two bends, first the upward bend in the middle, then a second downward bend at the eye. This second bend should end up with the tip or eye section of the squid as being horizontal or on the same plane as the original squid.

Caution must be exercised against bending the squid too much. If at all possible try to be near a body of water, your neighbor's pool maybe, so that the bending process can be a little at a time. After which the action can be checked in the water with various speeds of retrieve.

Of course only squids made from soft metals such as lead or block tin can be used. Even the thicker lead or block tins are often hard to bend. If you're at home, a vise is handy but if you are on the beach, the floor of the car or a sharp edged rock will act as a breathing surface.

While most of the previous words are directed towards the use of artificials, bottom fishing during the winter months has definite possibilities. Since I do not travel very far on my fishing trips once the dead of winter sets in, I can only tell you of a few of the places in my locale in western Suffolk County. Scouting around in your own area may turn up similar locations.

From Crabmeadow Beach west to the Lilco power plant fishing bottom with worms does produce nice catches of school bass with an occasional larger fish as a bonus. High tide is a necessity here unless you want to walk out on the bar which you will see exposed at low water west of the jetty. While I personally have not attempted fishing bottom here at low tide it is done and does have definite possibilities as fish are taken on artificials. Specifically small tins, bucktails and poppers in the daylight hours, while using small swimming plugs such as the Rebels and Red Fins at night.

As I have said; high water for worm fishing, say two hours up, the slack and two hours down. You will lose your water here rather fast as eventually the bottom in front of you will become exposed. A northwest wind here is preferable for it tends to push the warmed water from the powerplant east along this beach and therefore the fish with it. If you have a night off and the weather is mild and to your liking, don't hesitate to give it a try. Last year some nice catches of bass were taken on southerly winds. The only wind I feel is a total wipe-out is one from the northeast.

Most of the fishing here is done from the jetty west to the high wooden pier with the area in front of the white building situated on the beach the most preferred spot. Further west I have seen fishermen bottom fishing in the pockets formed by a series of small wooden jetties. This is a rocky area unlike the former place, so adjustments will have to be made in your terminal gear. Here you are closer to the outflow but what success these fishermen have I don't know.

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Putting Tackle In Perspective

by Mark Sosin

A rather gifted speaker dramatically illustrated an important point by taking advantage of the fact that a center aisle separated his audience in almost equal sections. Holding a large piece of cardboard that had been painted white on one side and black on the other with the edge against his chest, he slowly walked between the two banks of seats and asked everyone to observe the cardboard.

In response to his question about the color of the cardboard, half the people in the room shouted that it was black, while the other half insisted it was white. The speaker then flashed both sides to the total audience and wisely cautioned them to remember that what they see depends on their viewpoint.

It's no different in any comparison of light tackle versus heavy tackle. Those who prefer stouter equipment argue that the light tackle aficionado spends too much time fooling with a fish and that he gets in the way of others. The featherweight champion counters that the slugger is overgunned for the fish and is more interested in fishing for food than for sport.

There is no right or wrong, but a lot does depend on your viewpoint. The best part of fishing and one reason that it appeals to over 60 million Americans is that it is an individual sport and the angler doesn't have to be in competition with anyone. Whichever method brings the greatest pleasure to the individual is the right technique for him to use.

There are guidelines, however, that could add to an angler's enjoyment and make him more proficient at the same time. Recognizing when to use heavy tackle and when to go lighter could be a meaningful beginning. The first requirement is respect for the rights of others. If you're rubbing shoulders with fishermen on either side of you aboard a party boat packet, that's not the time to experiment with the new ultra-light outfit the lady of your choice gave you for your birthday. Light tackle is never a problem if you can handle it and the fish, but other customers have a right to be resentful if you tangle their lines everytime you have a hookup.

Even aboard a private boat or a charter craft, light lines can pose a problem unless everyone agrees ahead of time to their use. Someone who doesn't know how to handle a fish on less than regulation gear or an angler who didn't realize that just because the line is

Heavier conventional tackle is the answer when anglers are packed shoulder to shoulder at the rail of a party boat. It's not fair to infringe on the rights of others by tangling lines with lighter equipment.

This shark was boated on 6 pound test line by an experienced angler and equally disciplined crew.

light doesn't mean the rod has to be as soft as a radio antenna can take up most of the day playing a handful of fish. In the meantime, the rest of the group stands around idly.

A good angler with stout tackle can whip a fish quickly, but he can be handicapped in other ways. If you're trolling, you'll find that many species of fish will perform much better on lines testing 20 or 30 pound than they will on 80 pound test. Bigger fish often stay on top when hooked on thinner lines and they don't sound as much. Also, when the tackle is balanced to the size of the fish, the action is more spectacular.

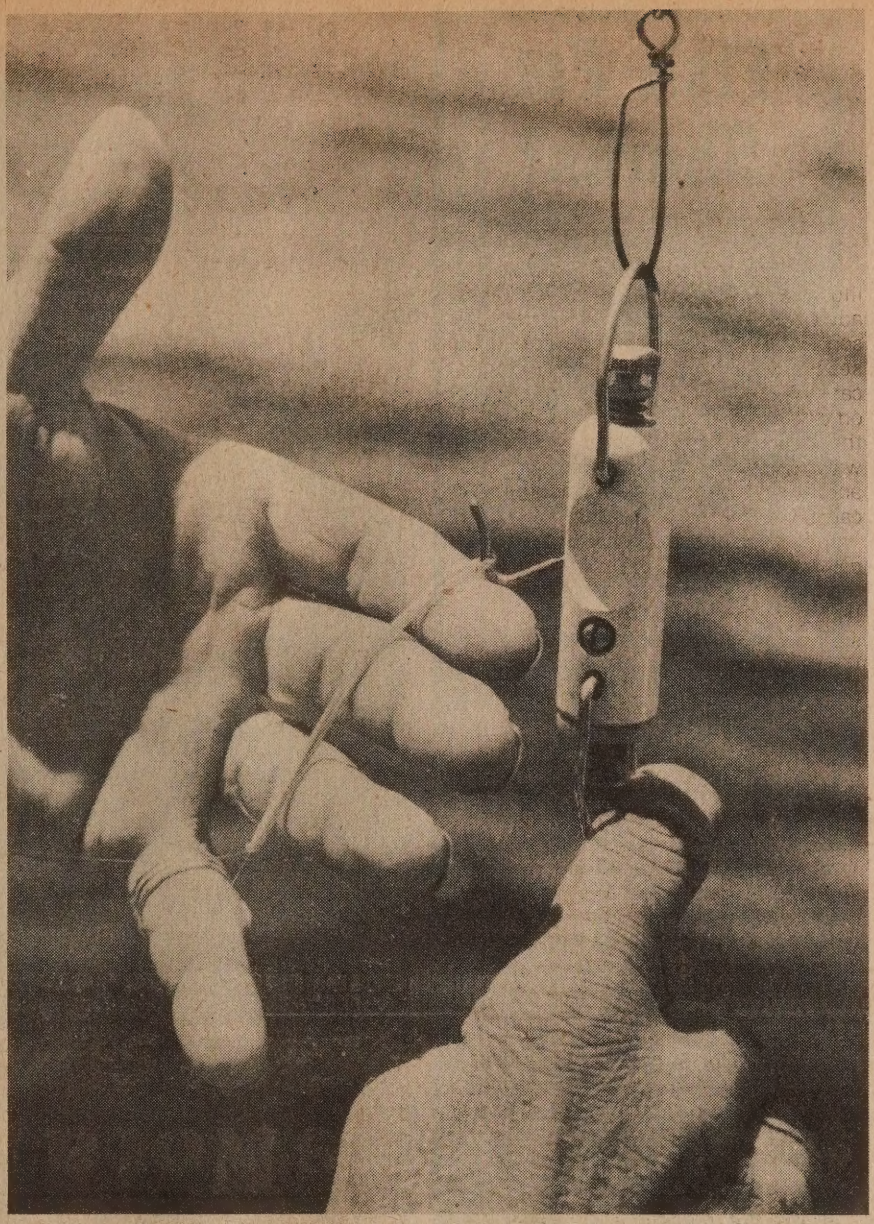
When you are bottom fishing, casting, or even chumming, lighter lines can make a considerable difference in the number of fish you hook. Underwater observers have reported that lures seem to have a better action when the breaking strength of the line is lower. Chummers who specialize in that phase of the sport have learned that light lines tend to follow the flow of the natural bait and keep it at the proper depth. In chumming, you are actually trying to stream a bait away from the boat and down an angled plane to the depth and distance astern at which the fish have found the slick.

Bottom fishermen tend to have more "feel" with lighter lines and they can use a lighter sinker to hold bottom in the same waters. Deep jiggers who bounce bucktails off the bottom learned this a long time ago. If you fish 15 pound test line, for example, you can use a 2½ ounce jig in situations where it would require 4 ounces with 20-pound test line.

All of these considerations plus others that haven't been mentioned indicate that the choice of tackle should not be a random decision, but rather one based on some careful analysis. Fishing is a world of compromises and it just makes sense to go with the system that is going to produce for you or help you to boat fish under the circumstances.

The uninitiated think of light tackle as gossamer threads tied to willow twigs and a method by which the angler merely hangs on while a fish runs itself to exhaustion. Unfortunately, the misinformed fall for tackle that meets that description and some have never seen rods that are designed specifically to beat a fish on lines in the 10, 12, and 15 pound class. A few ounces of superbly tailored glass blank can bully a 100 pound denizen when the rod is in the hands of an experienced angler. If you doubt the amount of pressure that can be applied to 12 pound or even 15 pound test line, tie some to a door knob, rig it through a rod, and try to break the line using the rod as a lever. The force you can apply without weakening the line is amazing.

The trouble with most so-called light rods is that the tip is soft and collapses under pressure. That means that you cannot work a lure properly, find it difficult to drag a bait, and certainly can't do any damage to the fish on the other end. When you read about the lads who consistently whip husky fish on light gear, don't delude yourself into thinking that the rod was a fairy wand. It had guts and the angler could lift that fish with it regardless of the line's breaking strength.



Steve Sloan came up with a great way to troll heavy baits from an outrigger using light lines. He loops a rubberband of the proper thickness around the line and then slips it in the pin. When a fish strikes, the monofilament cuts through the rubberband.

Unless you build your own rods, one of the problems is that you must take what is offered in the marketplace. It's a deadly circle. Right or wrong, fishermen ask for a specific type of rod. That means that the dealers must stock them, the manufacturer make them, and improvements are not forthcoming. The party boat fisherman, for example, who arms himself with the typical short boat rod is fishing with a handicap. Longer rods make more sense because it is easier to guide a fish over and between the other lines, there is more rod with which to set the hook, and even if you lift your catch aboard, you can reel the tip closer to the fish.

The first argument someone gives you in return is that longer rods have longer butts and they don't tuck under your arm as neatly as the standard rod for rail jockeys. There is no rule book that says a rod butt has to be long or short, yet traditionally, the longer the rod, the

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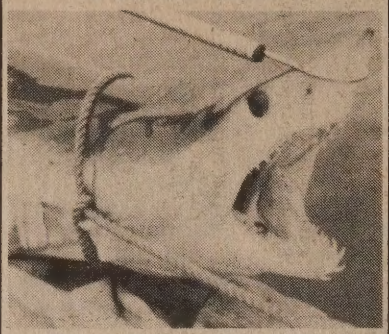

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Fishing from his own boat, Jack Fishkin took this nice striped bass on light tackle, but there was enough power in the rod to beat the fish quickly.

longer the butt section. That's not true among some specialists who insist on shorter butts because they are easier to hold and you can fight a fish better with them. Show these to the average angler, however, and he'll think the rod maker got a straw stuck in a bottle of wine before designing the rod.

The point to remember is that good rods are available if you take the time to look for them or ask your dealer to locate the right rod for you. Just because everyone you know follows the same path doesn't mean hat it was right and, if the peer pressure becomes too strong, you can always point to Columbus and something about the world being flat.

Reels are another subject and they certainly should be matched or balanced to the rod on which they will be fished. Putting a 4/0 offshore reel on a small boat rod is cumbersome and unnecessary. Find a reel with the line capacity you will need (in the line test you use) and check the retrieve ratio. The number of spool revolutions for one complete turn of the handle is important. Faster ratios are more meaningful in working a lure and recovering line when you pump a fish. They are not possible on some of the offshore reels because of engineering problems, but high speed spinning and bait casting reels are commonplace today.

Whether you use heavy or light tackle, think in terms of a fishing system. Every component should be balanced to every other component. If, for example, you decided to use heavy line for casting a lure, you don't want to use an artificial with very light wire hooks that could be straightened. On the other hand, if you are fishing live bait and want it to swim naturally, you need a smaller and lighter wire hook than you might normally need with the tackle. Life on the water is a compromise.

Tolerance is still a very important part of fishing and it might help if we could all understand what motivates our neighbors to use their favorite techniques. Perhaps in that way, some of the heavy tackle gang will experiment with lighter gear and the featherweight crew might move a step or two heavier when the situation demands it.

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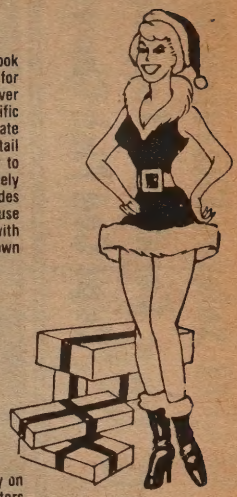

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SALMON CASSEROLE WITH CORNBREAD TOPPING

1 can (1 pound) pink salmon.
1 can (10¾ oz.) condensed cream of mushroom soup
1 package (9 ounces) cut green beans, thawed
½ package (1 lb. 2 oz.) corn muffin mix (or 1¾ cups dry mix)
¼ cup finely chopped green pepper
¼ teaspoon dry mustard (English)

Drain salmon saving the liquid. Then flake the fish and distribute evenly over bottom of shallow 1½ qt. casserole. Combine soup, salmon liquid, and green beans in saucepan and dry mustard in a bowl. Add egg and ½ of the milk called for on corn muffin label and mix as directed in the package directions. Spoon into 8 even mounds onto hot soup mixture. Bake in hot oven, 400 degrees F. about 22 to 25 minutes or until topping is done and browned. Makes four servings.

Note: You can prepare the remaining ½ package of corn muffin mix as directed on the label and, after baking in muffin tins, serve the muffins with the casserole. (Credit goes to the National Fisheries Service for this excellent recipe.)

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CAPE COD FISH CHOWDER

3 pounds fresh or frozen cod or haddock fillets.
¼ pound salt pork
3 large yellow onions, sliced thin
4 cups thinly sliced raw potatoes
4 cups boiling water
4 cups milk
Salt and pepper to taste
Common or Pilot crakers

Defrost fillets if frozen. Cut in 2 inch pieces. Dice salt pork; fry slowly in heavy kettle or Dutch oven until golden brown and crisp. Remove pork; save. Cook onions in pork fat in kettle until soft but not brown. Add potatoes and boiling water. Cook until potatoes are almost tender. Add fish; cook about 15 minutes longer or until fish flakes easily with a fork. (At this point chowder may be refrigerated overnight if desired. Flavor is enhanced by the next day.) Add milk;

season to taste with salt and pepper. Heat to serving temperature but do not allow it to boil. Garnish with cooked, diced salt pork. Float split common crackers on each serving or crumble pilot crackers on top. Makes 8 servings.

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In my last column published in the LIF of November 4th, I gave you some recipes for mussels. The following recipe is for Baked Mussels and it looks very tasty indeed.

BAKED MUSSELS

60 mussels
salt and pepper
1 teaspoon minced onion or more if desired.
sliced bacon
Parmesan cheese

Scrub and wash mussels, then steam as you would steamed clams. Remove from shells, trim off beards with scissors and place in buttered baking dish. Season with salt and pepper to taste, and onion. Cover with thin slices of raw bacon and sprinkle with cheese. Bake in 350 degree F. oven for 15 minutes.

And here is another recipe for mussels!

DEVILED MUSSELS

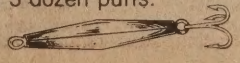
1 qt. shucked mussels with their juice.
2 tablspoons salad oil
¼ cup minced onion
1 cup cracker crumbs
2 tblspns Worchestshire sauce
2 tblspns catsup
4 dashes Tobasco
juice of ½ lemon
2 tblspns minced fresh parsley
1 tblspn butter or oleo

Heat mussels in their juice. Meanwhile heat oil and lightly saute onion. Stir in crumbs, Worcestshire, catsup, Tobasco, lemon juice and parsley. Add mussels and their juice to crumb mixture and turn into shallow casserole. Top with butter or margarine and bake for 15 minutes in a 425 degree F. oven until sizzling. Serves 4 persons.

GLOUCESTER SEA PUFFS

1 pound fish fillets.
2½ cups self rising flour
1 tblspn parsley, finely chopped
2 cloves garlic, minced
½ teaspoon black pepper
2 eggs
1 cup milk
4 cups vegetable oil

Cut fish into ¼ inch thick fingerlengths. Combine flour, parsley, garlic and pepper. Beat eggs with milk. Blend egg mixture into dry ingredients. Add more milk if necessary until consistency of pancake batter. In a Dutch oven or heavy deep saucepan, heat oil to boiling point. Dip pieces of fish in batter, and fry until golden brown. Drain puffs on brown paper. Puffs can be frozen and reheated on a cookie sheet in a hot oven. Yields about 3 dozen puffs.



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BASIC CODFISHING

Part II: Open Bottom

by Capt. Ron Onorato

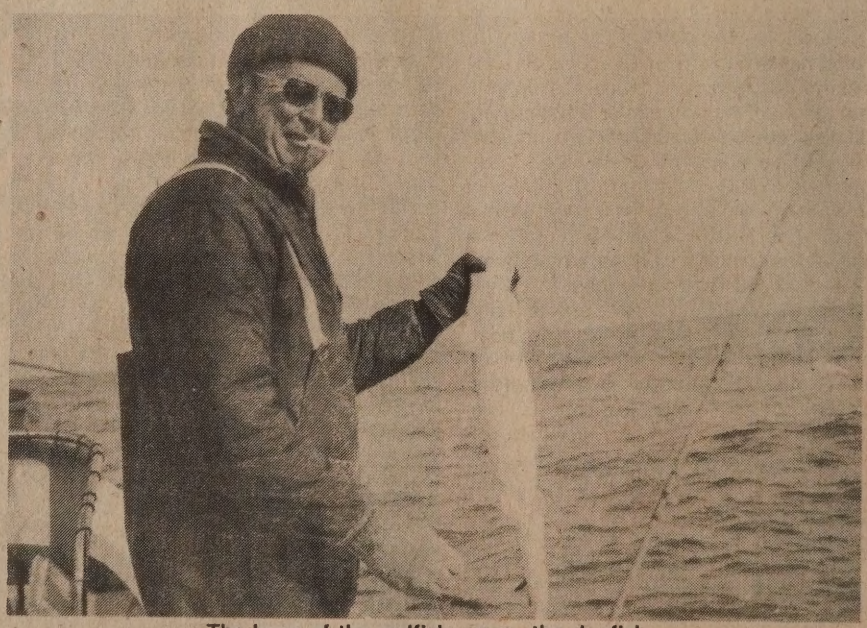
Last issue, wreck fishing for codfish was covered. Now we'll take a look at the easy type of codfishing, open bottom codfishing. After spending a couple of weeks on the wrecks while hordes of dogfish work the open bottom areas, sometime around the end of November, the first contingents of cod move inshore. It used to be that the first cod showed up on the open bottom grounds around Election Day, and were in solid by mid month. Lately however, mainly because of mild falls, good codfishing isn't seen until the end of the month, with the best fishing in early December. Solid fishing is usually seen through January and even into February depending on weather conditions and the quantity of fish left by the foreign fishing fleets. These fleets have been showing up like clockwork for the past several years around the middle of December and make heavy inroads into the codfish stocks.

For the average boat owner, fishing the wrecks is just about out unless the boat is equipped with the sophisticated electronics such as Loran and Sonar needed to find them. Open bottom codfishing on the other hand requires no great electronics, and in fact all that is needed is a good compass and a simple flasher depth recorder to give the bottom depth. Therefore, this type of fishing gives a lot of people a crack at some good fishing before many of the boats are taken out of the water.

The key to good open bottom codfishing, is finding the depth at which the fish are currently feeding. As the season progresses, the fish move from deeper water to shallower water and vice versa depending on water temperature and bait availability. One week the fish may be found in 110 feet of water and the next can be had in 60 or 70 feet of water. Where the fish were last week, doesn't mean they will be there this week.

When the party boat fleet is out in force, there is no real problem if the visibility is good. All you have to do is find out the depth of which they are fishing, and giving them a wide berth, anchor up and join them. The problem arises when there are few party boats fishing or the visibility is poor. You just have to make several attempts on your own and hope for the best. Because it sometimes takes several hours to get the fish started, about two drops is the best you should try. If you go for more moves, you're not really giving the fish a good chance to find the chum. The first drop is usually made in the deeper water around 105 or 110 feet of water. This spot is given about 2 hours and a fairly heavy dose of chum. If there is no life by then, a second inshore drop is usually made. This drop can be in anywhere from 60 to 80 feet of water. Hopefully at one of these two drops action will be forthcom-

George Oliver shows off a big cod.



The bane of the codfisherman, the dogfish.

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The second most important aspect of the open bottom codfishing is the proper use of chum. It has been said by many old time codfish fans that the more you chum the better the fishing will be. This is true up to a point, but like anything else, can be overdone.

Codfish on the open bottom seldom stay in one place. They usually range a certain level of water looking for food. The wreck on the other hand acts as a holding element for the fish and the need for chumming is nonexistant because the fish are already grouped together. Chumming on a wreck, is quite often counter productive and seldom done. The chum therefore is the holding element that brings the fish together, usually somewhere near your boat. Too light a chum and the fish will breeze through an area after eating what was put down. Too heavy a chum will actually put the fish off their feed.

The chum that is used exclusively for codfishing is none other then the simple skimmer clam. This bivalve, which has of late come into the picture as a tasty treat, is the prime tool of the codfisherman for both bait and chum. Indeed, the clam boats are hard pressed to keep up the supply when a nice weekend rolls around and the boats are out in force.

The skimmer clam is sold in burlap bags and hold a bushel of clams. Since the clam doubles as both the bait and chum, this has to be taken into account as does the number of fishermen in the party, when you decide on the amount to purchase.

You have to figure at least one bushel of skimmers for chum for each drop you plan to make. A party of 4 or 5 fishermen will also require a bushel of clams for use as bait. Therefore, 3 bushels is the least you should bring when setting out for an all day trip. Some successful codfishermen like to go with an extra bag of clams in case the fishing really gets hot. It all depends on current conditions.

The chumming is a constant activity and should start as soon as the boat comes around on its anchor. A half of bushel of clams are cracked even before the baited hooks are lowered to the bottom. Cracking a clam consists of taking a whole skimmer and with a small bat or stick cracking the shell on both sides and then tossing it overboard. Some artistic whackers like to toss a skimmer in the air and crack it as it comes down. A neat trick when you get used to it. Some good whackers can take care of two clams at a time. About as far as I got doing this was to send a lot of whole clams to the bottom without even touching them.

After the first load of clams are sent to the bottom, the baited hooks are then lowered and the waiting game begins. Sometimes you can luck out and get the fish started immediately. Other times it takes awhile before the first fish starts knocking on the door. The first fish is the hardest, and after that the rest come in spurts. The fish are schooling at this time of year and seldom travel alone. All this while, you should keep a steady pace of clams going over the side. A couple of clams every few minutes is about right. If you start getting into the fish heavy, chum a little heavier than normal as the fish are probably eating all your chum up. This also is true when there are some dogfish left in the area. There are times when the doggies mix in with the cod and the catch is about half and half. The doggies can eat through your chum in no time and the codfish will then scatter.

As mentioned earlier, the skimmer is also the prime bait used for the open bottom cod. Usually a whole single skimmer is sufficient bait for each hook, though some anglers swear by loading up the hook. My best bet has been to slice the single clam in half and put both halves on the hook with the lip or rim trailing. This way, the cod may be able to take one piece of the clam off the hook, but seldom gets away with it twice.

Perhaps the finest bait for cod, though seldom used except by the sharpies is a whole fillet of fresh mackerel. The mackerel are schooling off the south shore beaches and jigging a couple of them usually is no problem. Even if you have to buy a couple from the fish market, the extra effort is far worthwhile. The fresh mackerel fillet will outfish the skimmer clam hands down in the early stages of the run. The whole fillet is inserted through the hook just once and the rest is left dangling. Quite a tempting morsel for those outsize "cows."

While we're on the subject of hooks it should be noted that two hooks rather a then a single one is the rule here. You don't have to contend with snags or fouling as you do when fishing the wrecks. A single hook is usually set up about 15 inches above the sinker, and a second hook is then placed three feet above the lower one. Don't listen to the people who say that the cod will only swim on the bottom. Cod will swim as high as 9 or 10 feet off the bottom when feeding. This is especially true when the fish are riding herd on the schools of mackerel and whiting early in the run. Later on as the weather really gets cold, the fish tend to feed a little closer to the bottom.

You can use the same outfit for open bottom fishing that you do on the wrecks, and can probably go even lighter. I use a 20 pound class outfit when open bottom fishing and have taken over 40 pounds on it. Incidentally, don't think that you have to fish the wrecks for the big cod. More big fish are probably taken on open bottom then on the wrecks, and I mean 50 pound plus

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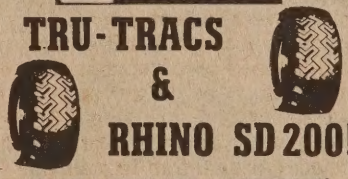

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SOUTH SHORE Fishing Report

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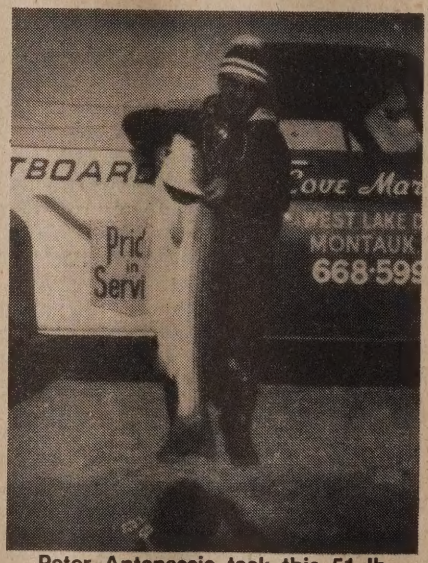
Henry Colombi at the **Star Island Yacht Club** reported that the bass and bluefishing has been so poor that many of the charter boat captains have been cancelling charters so as not to disappoint their customers. The only decent fishing has been for ling and whiting off Culloden Pt.

Captain Dick Vigilant of the **Triton II** reported having a fantastic day on Friday with blackfish. Anglers took all the blackfish that they wanted that ranged up to 14 pounds. Fishing was with green crabs in the Cartwright area. Dick said that the only dates open in November for cod, pollack and blackfishing is Thanksgiving Day and Sunday the 28th. Only a few dates remain in December also, so now is the time to arrange your club's annual cod expedition.

Chuck Lombardi of Brooklyn took this 14 lb. striped bass aboard the charter boat "Easy Rider" out of Montauk. Subscriber Club Photo.



Peter Antonaccio took this 51 lb. bass under the lighthouse and is having it mounted by Island Marine Taxidermy. Photo courtesy of Cove Marina.

Freida at **The Cove Marina** reported that the striped bass fishing was awful over the weekend and very few fish were taken. On Saturday a few boats managed to troll between 6 and a dozen bluefish at Great Eastern. Most of the fishing has been concentrated around Fort Pond Bay off Culloden Pt. in 50 feet of water for whiting and ling for lack of anything else

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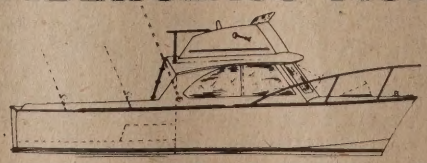
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to catch. Clams and squid for bait. Blackfish are still at Shagwong at last report but green crabs are a necessity to success. A few cod have also been taken at Shagwong, the Pollack Rip and Cartwright, so it doesn't look like it will be long before the boats will be fishing inshore for cod.

Captain Ron Grandinetti of the **Julie III** and a party of three led by Seab Lion of upstate caught over 300 pounds of whiting on Saturday. They fished off Culloden Pt. for only 3 hours and the largest whiting was 3 and ¾ pounds.

HAMPTON BAYS

Bradley's Fishing Station reports good flounder fishing with the flatties nice size and ranging up to 2 pounds. Best areas have been off Greenlawn, the Indian Reservation and the C.G. Station at both sides of the change of tide. Bloodworms and mussel chum for bait.

MORICHES BAY

Cerullo Bros. Fishing Sta. reported that their boats have been averaging about 25 1 pound flounder each. Bloodworms and clam bellies or mussel chum on either moving tide. Best areas have been off the C.G. Station at buoy 35 and off the public dock. The crabs have either left the area entirely or dug into the mud.

BAY SHORE

Smokey's Bait and Tackle reports there are some flounders around in the bay and your best bet is to try the deeper holes which now contain warmer water. Some bass have been taken off the Moriches Beaches on Lupo Bunker spoons. Cod are being taken in 80 to 110 feet of water and there are not many dog

Don Herlihy and John Philips with their catch of bass and blues taken out of Montauk. Photo courtesy of Star Island Yacht Club.

Shown here are Tony Kacmarczyk with a 32 lb. pollack; Wally MacKay with a 62 lb. cod, Gene Reed with a 63 lb. cod and George Bachert with a 56 lb. cod all taken on the Nov. 2nd Nantucket Wreck Trip aboard the Viking Star out of Montauk.

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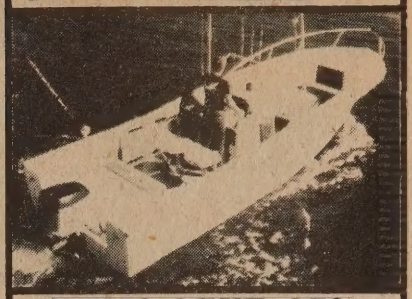

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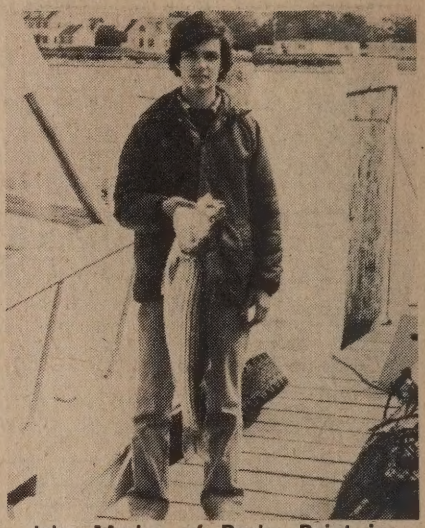

John Marino of Rocky Point is shown here holding a striper of 13 lbs. caught while trolling off the lighthouse on the charterboat Easy Rider. Subscriber Club Photo.

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fish around. The cod are running from 10 to 30 pounds.

OAK BEACH

Bill at **The Store** tells us that a few flounder are being taken in the Sore Tumb area and on both north and south side stretches of the Moses Parkway, but the fishing has not been great. Best bets would be bloodworms or dyed clam. **The Store** is remaining open for the gunners and Bill said it looks like a big bird shooting season ahead.

BABYLON

Augie's Bait and Tackle reports a few big flounder being taken at many spots in the bay but catches are not big. A few cod have been taken offshore but not very many due to the rough seas. On Tuesday, Doc Grell had 17 cod in one of his favorite offshore hide-a-ways. Fish being caught are running 15 to 27 pounds, and a few whiting are also being picked. Ski tells us that between Huntington and Eaton's Neck on the northshore, a lot of school bass are taking bloodworms for surfcasters.

CAPTREE

Captain Neil of the charterboat **Lady Ann** tells us that on Saturday they took 0 cod on the wrecks, but did pick away at blackfish. They then moved on to open

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bottom where some whiting were taken. On Sunday the boat went south and south/southeast of Fire Island Inlet and fished 70 feet and 80 feet of water, areas that produced last year. They got 11 cod on these two drops, all good fish ranging from 17 to 25 pounds. Neil says that the **Speedy VI** and the **Joseph** also fished these areas and also got up to 17 fish each. In all, it was a good day, though

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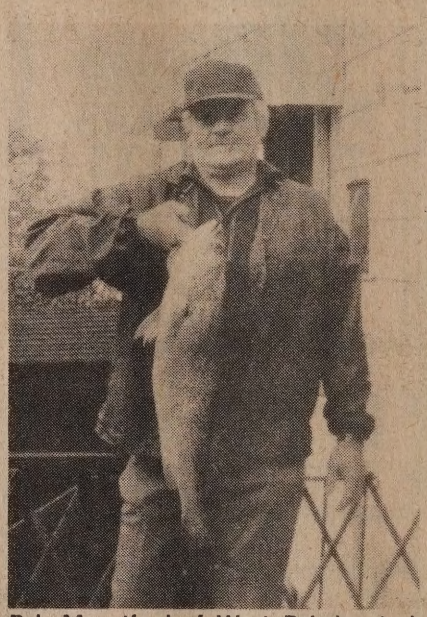

Bob Mountford of West Babylon took this 8 lb. weakfish off the Coast Guard Station on a Joey G White bucktail. Subscriber Club Photo.

not fantastic. Neil says that this is a new run of open bottom fish and is about 2 weeks ahead of last season as far as open bottom fishing goes. He says it looks like a good cod season here and more coming.

LINDENHURST

Dukes Bait & Tackle reports the flounder fishing is slow but if flounder are your thing try Squaw Island, West Island, Zachs Bay or off the Copiague Town Beach. No quantities but the fish are big sized. Outgoing tide is best. Cod is getting off the ground however still on the slow side this past week. One angler came in with 6 cod that he had taken in 80 to 90 feet of water south southeast of the inlet. No bass, blue or weakfish reports, though gilnetters are doing okay west of Moriches Inlet. Good sized whiting are being taken in 80 to 90 feet of water on open bottom. There is a good chance that the bays will freeze over early this year, so get out as early as possible for your fishing.

MASSAPEQUA

Massapequa Tackle and Sports tells us that for flounders try the Massapequa Shore Line, Squaw Island and Four Corners on outgoing water with blood worms and chum. Alhambra beach is also producing some flounder. Bill who works in the store and buddy Dave Amitirano fished the 90 foot line on Friday and in three hours had 9 cod fish from 18½ to 31½ lbs. on skimmer clams. They had to battle through 75 doggies to get these cod. Bass fishing has generally been poor but some are being trolled on umbrellas from Cherry Grove to the Sore Thumb.

SEAFORD

Lon Wanser's Bait & Tackle reports some flounder around in the bays and really substantial numbers in holes and deep depressions, where the water is warmer. One customer came in with 50 flounder which he took off Alhambra Cove on worms and mussel chum. Lon says the fish are their, you just got to search them out and stay on top of them. They are not spread out. Fishing the HOLES is extremely important. Some cod being taken and the codfish season will very shortly be in full swing.

MERRICK

Jimmy at **Nick's Fishing Station** tells us that the flounder fishing is tapering down as to size and quantity but that the cod fishing is definitely on the upswing. Ed Bing on his boat Bingo took 12 cod on Friday up to 25 lbs. fishing 90 feet of water 150• out of the inlet. This has been Ed's third good cod trip. Baldwin angler Chuck Hayes took 9 schoolie bass trolling the Sandy Hook area during this past week.

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Capt. Richie of the **Starstream II** reports good catches of ling and a few blacks and an occasional cod when fishing at the local wrecks. When fishing open bottoms he is really doing well with the whiting but the cod fishing is very slow with a few coming in each day.

Capt. Schmidt of the **Aloma II** tells us of very good catches of whiting and ling taken east of Ambrose on Saturday and

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Joe Cucchiara with a 10 lb. bluefish caught on the Ranger out of Sheepshead Bay on bunker and smelt combo. Subscriber Club Photo.

Sunday and that bags of fish up to 3 pounds are being boated.

The **Captain Al** reports that a mixed bag of ling, whiting, blacks, seabass and cod are being taken with the whiting and ling being most plentiful and the cod being very slow.

Bob at **Hook Line and Sinker Bait & Tackle** tells us that there are some cod offshore and that the inshore flounder scene consists of much smaller and fewer flounder now than a few weeks ago. If you are determined to try for flounder, try Swift and Long Creeks and Randall Bay.

POINT LOOKOUT

Scotty's Marina reports good flounder fishing up in the flats with fish of mostly a pound being taken on worms and clams. Blackfishing by the bridges can be had on fiddlers or green crabs. The cod are showing up in about 60 feet of water near the Cholera Banks.

ISLAND PARK

Beckmann's Tackle tells us that the flounder fishing in the entire channel has been very productive. The blackfishing scene is okay under the bridge and at the rock jetties on green crabs. Schoolie bass up to 5 pounds are being taken at the Tin Can Grounds and the Ambrose Channel on small tubes and umbrellas or Bingle Lancers. Using Bingle Dandy lures in place of the tubes on the umbrellas has been very productive on the bass.

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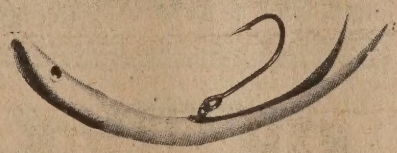

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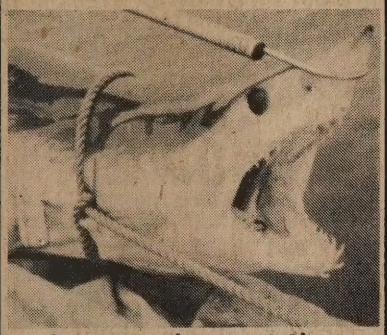

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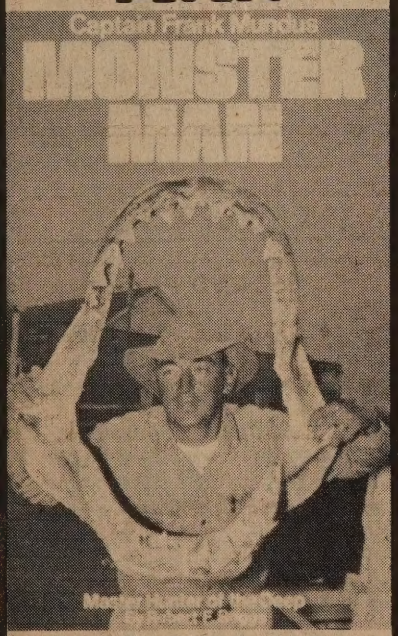

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JAMAICA BAY

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SHEEPSHEAD BAY

Captain Mickey Hipper of the new charterboat **Pina IV** called to tell us that his new boat is now sailing and taking cod charters. His new 40' diesel boat is the former **Jonny K II**, also of Sheepshead Bay. Mickey said he is taking charters for all types of fishing and that the boat is a walk around, has a heated cabin, full of electronics and is diesel powered and you can call him at 212-891-3491 for dates and info.

The **Dorothy B** reports fantastic catches of whiting and ling being taken at the Ambrose and Scotland areas. The Captain also told us that from Mon. through Friday the boat will be out of the water to receive a fresh coat of bottom paint for the winter.

Captain Tom of the **Pilot II** is now doing an excellent job on the whiting and ling population.

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Sal at **Sella Maris Tackle** tells us of catches of whiting and ling off Ambrose. Blacks are still being picked up at the bridges and jetties and wrecks. Striper activity can be found at the Tin Can Grounds and near Romer Shoals.

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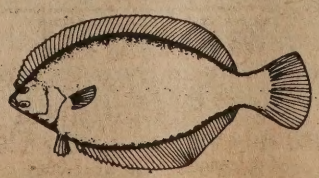

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ORIENT POINT

Port of Egypt reported the season slowly coming to a close. This week and the up coming weekend will be the last that **Port of Egypt** will be open for business. The rental boats that have gone out returned with some blackfish though one boatload of regulars fished the brickyard last Saturday morning without a touch. It might have been just a slow day, it might mean the blackfishing is coming to an end. Some blackfish were taken in the vicinity of Claudio's Dock in Greenport but results weren't noteworthy. Last Friday there were some flounders taken in petty's Bight which is 1½ miles west of Orient Point. On the bay side, there should still be some flounders available in the creeks. Goose and Twin Creeks are two likely choices. Shorefishermen are getting small ½ to ¾ pound flatties in these spots. As time goes on, the bay side will die off but the fish might be on the Sound. Bass and bluefishing is now a matter of picking stragglers migrating through the Gut. Last week a couple 20 pounders and one twelve pound blue were all that were reported from the regulars still out trying. Two weeks ago a couple of 8 pound cod were fished out of the Gut but nobody's mentioned anymore about this species since then.

Steven Romano of Shoreham took this 10 lb. 11 oz. blackfish from the beach at Shoreham on skimmer clam. Photo courtesy of Nick's Bait and Tackle.

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GREENPORT

A.P. White Bait Shop reported fair fishing for blacks around Gull Island, the north side of Plum Island and Plum Gut. There's no great number of fish being caught but individual size is very good. A good percentage of the total day's catch weigh between 7 and 10 pounds. It was hard to determine what the average charter boat catch was because some boats carried six anglers while others take 20. A couple cod were taken on the north side of Plum Island by blackfishermen. One cod weighed 25 pounds, the other 30. It should be noted these cod were taken by accident so to speak. Maybe some specifically after cod would produce more fish. One local bass hot shot Joe Angevine took 17 bass in Plum Gut last Thursday while drifting bucktails. That just might be the last good haul of bass for the 1976 season.

AQUEBOGUE

Warren's Tackle Center said the bass and bluefishing is probably over until next year. Last week there was loads of bait right in on the beach from Shinnecock to Moriches but no bass underneath it. There was rumors of some bass taken at Montauk last weekend so a couple of rods have been left out just in case. If the weather is hospitable maybe there's time for one more trip! What do you think? Think there's one more bass to be taken before Christmas?

HUNTINGTON

Captain Don of the **Ever Ready Fleet** called to say that on Sunday's blackfishing trip, Ronnie Subrizi of Huntington Sta. took the pool with a 9 pound black. Hot now is the 11B area at the 30 foot ledge, about 1000 feet south of the buoy,

Joe and Billy Schneider with their catch of 43 blacks to 7 ¼ lbs. taken at 11B-Eatons Neck. Photo courtesy of Four Winds Tackle.

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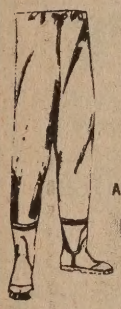

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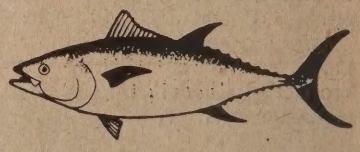

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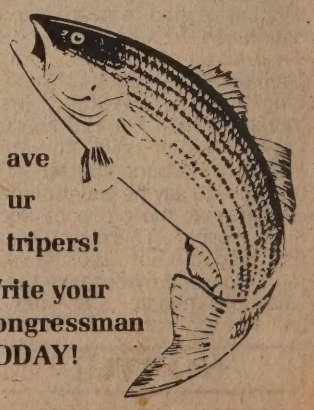

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Nancy Pacione of Huntington Sta. took this 31 lb. bass trolling clack umbrella rigs at Eatons Neck. Photo courtesy of Ronnies Bait and Tackle.

green crabs working best. Don says there should be about another 3 weeks of blackfishing here.

Ronnie's Bait and Tackle reports catches of schoolie bass at Diamond Pt. and Eatons Neck with these fish being taken on white and black umbrella rigs. The bass are just about keeper size with an occasional 8 pounder thrown in. Bass are also being caught at the local Lilco outflow on sandworms or swimmers such as Rebels or Cordells. Blacks from 3-7 pounds are being caught at Eaton's Neck, 11B and 24C with green crabs producing best. Huntington Harbor, Lloyd Harbor and Price's Bend are producing flounder up to ¾ of a pound on sandworms.

PORT JEFFERSON

Port Jefferson Sports Shop said the only bass action to relate was a couple of fish taken from the shore at Wading River about a week ago. Since then it's been quiet but nobody's been out trying thanks to the weather. In this case though no news is bad news. Flounder fishing is available in Port Jefferson and Mt. Sinai Harbors. One fellow stopped in the store to say he caught a decent mess of fish near the old boat docks in Mt. Sinai Harbor. There's still some blackfish available but accurate reports were tough to come by because the wind kept what few people who still have their boats in the water from using them.

NORTHPORT

Bowman's Sporting Goods said there were literally schools of bass working between the Coast Guard Station and 11B. As of last Saturday the fish were centered about ½ mile off the beach. One fellow said he only caught 17 bass on Saturday but some boats had as high as 60. Most of the fish are schoolies from 5 to 8 pounds which an occasional one up to 15 pounds was taken. Umbrella rigs trolled just below the surface are accounting for most fish. Color choices change from day to day. Some days they want all white rigs. The day after, black maybe the hot color and the next day red is best. But as of this report the fish have been congregating off Eaton's for the past two weeks with fishing getting better as November gets older. Better hurry though, there's no telling how long this fishing will last. Outside of lots of school bass fishing reports were slim mainly because it's only the die hard bassmen out on cold, windy Long Island Sound.

CITY ISLAND

Jack's Bait and Tackle said there's some flounders and tom cods in Eastchester Bay around Rodman's Neck. That seems to be the only locale receiving attention by flounder fishermen as of this writing. If you want blackfish, the City Island boats are still sailing. Right now they are fishing the deep water reefs a little above Darien. Most fish are being taken on broken bottom about 75 feet down. Some scattered bass were spoken of but most fellows have given up until next year. One note of interest is butterfish that are showing up around the pier behind the new public school on City Island. One fellow got 18 butterfish last Wednesday in this spot that weighed about ½ pound each. To catch butterfish use a small hook and equally small pieces of shrimp or worm for bait. Most fellows are letting their baits down 7 or 8 feet. Some are using a bobber to keep their bait suspended at this level.

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DON'T STOW THAT GEAR

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As I have implied this is mainly night fishing although I have caught bass here in the daylight in early April.

If you want to walk all the way to the powerplant outflow you have several choices. Artificials, worms or possibly chunks of bunker. The latter being quite abundant here in the winter months and therefore a natural bait. All have worked in the past and even though the channel of the outflow has been dredged and straightened, this coming year should be no exception.

One other location for fishing bottom in winter is found on the south shore at Democrat Point. The oceanfront from the jetty east to the parking fields. This area can be fished during the day with a fair chance of success. Here the preferred bait is skimmer which can be used to catch both bass and cod.

High water is again what you want while my preference is high outgoing just east of the jetty itself. Here the water rushing from left to right in the trough between the bar and the beach is obstructed in it's flow by the jetty, creating a turbulence sought by the predators.

I have heard that there are other places on Long Island where cod can be taken from the beach. The whereabouts of these rumored locations I do not know.

If you find me on the beach in the icy blasts of winter with a fishing rod, be assured that my only quarry is Old Roccus.

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BASIC CODFISHING

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fish.

There are times when ling and whiting abound on the open bottom. This is usually detected by small nibbles and the hook often coming up clean. The thing to do here is to wait through them and the codfish will almost surely follow. Whiting are a tasty fish and you can even put over a rod with some smaller hooks and catch them too. When the whiting and ling stop biting abruptly, look out for here comes Mr. Cod. Depending on the size of the fish, it will either swallow the baited hook entirely or just tug at it a few times. Either way wait a second or so and then stick the fish. Whoever says that a codfish doesn't fight must not have caught too many of them. Though they lack the lateral runs that the bass or blues make, they make some pretty strong surges for the bottom. The cod that are taken in the shallower water seem to fight even harder.

A handy item that should be kept handy is a hook degorger. Cod have a habit of swallowing a hook deeply sometimes and removing them can be a problem. Often it is necessary to cut the hook and retie another one. When the fish start biting good, you don't want to be bogged down rigging up.

One thing that few people realize is to try and avoid gaffing a cod or any fish for that matter in the stomach. The codfish has a big gall bladder that will sour any flesh it comes in contact with when punctured. Always aim for the fishes head, this way your fillets remain intact also.

That just about wraps up one of Long Island's most popular winter fishing activity. Codfishing not only extends the fishing season a couple of extra months, it also stocks the freezer with some of the tastiest fish to be found. Despite the heavy pressure put on the stocks by the foreign fleets, open bottom codfishing was very good last fall even if the fish didn't show up till late November. Hopefully this fall will be equally as productive.

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HIGH TIDE TABLES

DAY	SANDY HOOK AM	SANDY HOOK PM	Breakwater Harbor AM	Breakwater Harbor PM	NEW YORK AM	NEW YORK PM	NEW LONDON AM	NEW LONDON PM	WILLETS POINT AM	WILLETS POINT PM	BRIDGE-PORT AM	BRIDGE-PORT PM	NEW-PORT AM	NEW-PORT PM	DATE
THUR.	4:23	4:43	5:07	5:25	4:46	5:17	5:50	6:20	7:36	8:10	7:49	8:18	4:18	4:42	11/18
FRI.	5:20	5:42	5:59	6:20	5:51	6:14	6:41	7:12	8:34	9:11	8:41	9:11	5:11	5:35	11/19
SAT.	6:11	6:33	6:50	7:13	6:43	7:07	7:31	8:04	9:30	10:09	9:32	10:04	6:01	6:26	11/20
SUN.	7:01	7:24	7:42	8:05	7:33	8:00	8:21	8:56	12:23	11:03	10:23	10:55	6:52	7:18	11/21
MON.	7:50	8:14	8:33	8:57	8:23	8:54	9:12	9:48	11:16	11:57	11:14	11:46	7:43	8:08	11/22
TUE.	8:40	9:07	9:25	9:51	9:17	9:51	10:04	10:42	—	12:07	—	12:05	8:34	9:00	11/23
WED.	9:31	10:03	10:18	10:47	10:14	10:51	10:56	11:38	12:50	1:01	12:38	12:57	9:27	9:53	11/24
THUR.	10:26	10:58	11:13	11:44	11:11	11:49	11:53	—	1:48	1:59	1:31	1:49	10:19	10:49	11/25

HOW TO USE TIDE TABLES

To compute the high tide for the area you wish to fish, simply find the closest area on the conversion tables. Add or subtract the hours and minutes as indicated from that areas station above. Example: "Shinnecock Inlet.....—0 50" is listed under "On SANDY HOOK." —0 50 means you subtract 50 minutes from the times given for the SANDY HOOK STATION for the day you are going fishing. This is the approximate time for the high tide in the area. For low tide, add 6 ½ hours to this figure.

On SANDY HOOK

STATEN ISLAND	+ 0 27
ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS	— 0 01
Red Bank, Navesink R.I.	+ 0 48
Long Branch	— 0 34
SHARK RIVER INLET	— 0 18
Shark River Basin	+ 0 27
MANASQUAN INLET	— 0 12
Seaside Park	— 0 33
Mantoloking Bridge	+ 5 34
TOMS RIVER	+ 4 37
Waretown	+ 2 33
BARNEGAT LIGHT	— 0 20
Manahawkin Bridge	+ 2 33
Beach Haven	+ 1 47
LITTLE EGG INLET	— 0 01
Seven Islands	+ 0 12
Graveling Point	+ 1 05
Mullica River	+ 1 55
Grassy Bay	+ 1 08
ABSECON INLET	+ 0 14
Atlantic City Pier	— 0 26
Gt. Egg Harbor Inlet	+ 0 12
GREAT EGG HARBOR	+ 0 46
CORSON INLET	+ 0 09
TOWNESEND INLET	+ 0 06
HEREFORD INLET	+ 0 02
Grassy Sound Bridge	+ 0 45
Cape May Harbor	— 0 02
Rehoboth Beach	— 0 07
INDIAN RIVER INLET	+ 0 14
SHINNECOCK INLET	— 0 50
Shinnecock Bay	+ 1 25
East Quogue	+ 2 45
Shinnecock Canal	+ 1 18
Indian Reservation	+ 3 05
MORICHES INLET	— 0 56
Smith's Point	+ 3 28
Harts Cove	+ 1 30
Potunck Point	+ 3 35
Mastic Beach	+ 3 28
FIRE ISLAND INLET	— 0 38
Democrat Point	— 0 38
Coast Guard Station	— 0 19
Fire Island Light	+ 0 47
GREAT SOUTH BAY	
Sayville	+ 3 39
Heckscher State Pk.	+ 3 20
Bay Shore	+ 2 23
Babylon	+ 2 12
Amityville	+ 2 21
JONES INLET	— 0 19
Zachs Bay	+ 1 25
Seaford Harbor	+ 2 05
Freeport Creek	+ 0 34
E. ROCKAWAY INLET	— 0 06
Long Beach Bridge	+ 0 19
ROCKAWAY INLET	— 0 00
Beach Ch. Bridge	+ 0 38
JFK Airport	+ 0 26

On BRIDGEPORT

Lloyd Point	+ 0 08
Cold Spring Harbor	+ 0 08
Bayville Bridge	+ 0 13
Eatons Neck Point	+ 0 03
Northport Bay	+ 0 03
Norwalk Islands	+ 0 10
Smithtown Bay	— 0 03
Cranes Neck Point	+ 0 05
Port Jefferson Harbor	+ 0 03
New Haven Harbor	+ 0 08
Mount Sinai Harbor	— 0 08
Herod Point	— 0 07
Mattituck Inlet	+ 0 19
Horton Point	— 0 20
Truman Beach	— 0 42
Falkner Island	— 0 13
Sachem Head	— 0 10
Branford Harbor	— 0 07
New Haven Harbor	— 0 08
Milford Harbor	— 0 07
Stratford	+ 0 27
Shelton	+ 1 36
Black Rock Harbor	— 0 03
Saugatuck River	— 0 01
South Norwalk	+ 0 10
Greens Ledge	— 0 01
Stamford	+ 0 04
Cos Cob Harbor	+ 0 06
Greenwich	+ 0 02

On NEW LONDON

Orient Point	+ 0 27
Little Gull Is. (Race)	+ 0 12
Greenport	+ 1 04
Southold	+ 1 43
New Suffolk	+ 2 26
South Jamesport	+ 2 32
Shinnecock Canal	+ 2 33
Noyack Bay	+ 2 05
Sag Harbor	+ 0 59
Gardiners Bay	+ 0 21
Promised Land	— 0 14
Montauk Inlet	— 0 25
Montauk Point	— 1 13
Niantic	+ 1 20
Stonington	— 0 33
Noank, Mystic River	— 0 23
THAMES RIVER	
Smith Cove	— 0 01
Norwich	+ 0 09
CONNECTICUT RIVER	
Saybrook jetty	+ 1 10
Lyme	+ 1 24
Essex	+ 1 38
East Haddam	+ 2 41
Higganum Creek	+ 2 54

On WILLETS PT.

Little Neck Bay	— 0 10
Execution Light	— 0 06
Manhasset Bay	— 0 01
Hempstead Harbor	— 0 11
City Island	— 0 03
Rye Beach	— 0 28
Port Chester	— 0 09
Mamaroneck	— 0 08
New Rochelle	— 0 24
Davids Island	— 0 02

On B'WATER HB.

CAPE MAY POINT	— 0 10
Miami Beach	+ 1 17
East Point	+ 0 53
Egg Island Point	+ 0 33
Cape Henlopen	— 0 05
ROOSEVELT INLET	+ 0 09
Mispillion River Ent.	+ 0 33
St. Jones River Ent.	+ 0 57

On NEW YORK

Jersey City	+ 0 07
Geo. Washington Br.	+ 0 46
Spuyten Duyvil	+ 0 58
Ossining	+ 1 53
Peekskill	+ 2 24
West Point	+ 3 16
Newburg	+ 3 42

On NEWPORT

Sakonnet	— 0 10
Tiverton	+ 0 21
Beavertail Point	— 0 02
Prudence Is., Sandy Pt.	+ 0 10
Bristol	+ 0 10
Warren	+ 0 21
Nayatt Point	+ 0 12
Pawtucket	+ 0 21
East Greenwich	+ 0 16
Wickford	+ 0 12
Narragansett Pier	— 0 08
Point Judith Harbor	— 0 07
BLOCK ISLAND	
Great Salt Pond	+ 0 05
Old Harbor	— 0 14
Watch Hill Point	+ 0 44

SUNRISE/SUNSET

11/6	6:39	4:48
11/11	6:45	4:43
11/16	6:51	4:38
11/21	6:58	4:34
11/26	7:03	4:31

PHASES OF THE MOON

NEW	1st Qtr.	FULL	2nd Qtr.
11/21	11/28	11/ 6	11/14

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The major periods begin at the time shown and last for an hour-and-a-half or two hours thereafter, and are in the bold type face. The minor periods are shorter in duration and lighter type.

	AM Minor	AM Major	PM Minor	PM Major
THURS.	12:50	**7:25**	1:20	**7:55**
FRI.	1:35	**8:20**	2:10	**8:45**
SAT.	2:30	**9:10**	3:00	**9:40**
SUN.	3:20	**10:10**	3:55	**10:40**
MON.	4:20	**11:15**	4:55	**11:45**
TUES.	5:25	—	6:00	**12:20**
WED.	6:35	**12:55**	7:05	**1:25**
THURS.	7:40	**1:55**	8:00	**2:25**

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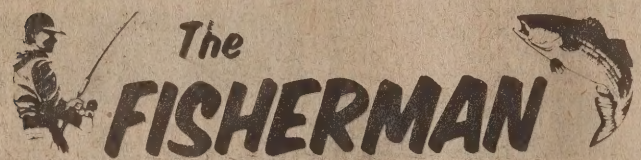

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